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Your online guide to the sensational world of Sega and Sonic The Comic. Hosted by Megadroid.

Pelcome Screen

Welcome to a new ora of STC thrills! Two major new series make their debut in this issue. You may think you know all about Streets of Rage and Kin Chanteleon, having played the chart-topping Sega games of the same names, but think again. STC brings you all-new stories based around the characters and locations featured in the games. In the case of Streets of Race, read, for the first time, how Axel, Blaze and Max left a corrupt police force to bring justice to those raging streets!

In Kin Chameleon you'll learn more about of Wild Side as well as how he changes into the incredible characters of Red Steatth, Berserker, Cyclone and many others. You're in for a wild ride, Boomers!

In all this excitement let's not forget the star of our comic - of blue spikes himself, Sonie! Big things are in the wind for Sonic and his pals as a very significant event is about to take place on the Planet Mobins! Keep your scanners tuned to these pages.

By the way, this issue also features a mega freehie with 100 (count 'em) copies of Tony Takoushi's guide to Sonic 2 book. Got writing now, Boomers, there's sure to be a rush

If you think The Tak is the only talented scribe working for STC, you'd be very wrong. Game Guru David Gibbon, keeper of the Q Zona, has just had published the 2nd edition of The Commencial Games Programmen's Guide (Kuma, £9.95). This technical tome is for any Boomer

Don't forget, Boomers, I want to liear what you think of strips. Get writing and



The UK Scouting Movement gets into some serious Sonic action this autumn as it joins forces with Sega to launch the Sonic SPEED CHALLENGE. This involves selling special Sonic The Hedgehog Scratchcards to raise money for The Promise Appeal, to help the Scout Movement, between 18th September and 18th December.

Each Sonic Scratchcard will carry three questions on the theme of speed. Reveal three correct answers and you could

win a prize. These range from posters, Game Gears, Master Systems and Mega Drives to the top prize of a Mega CD. In addition, cards with three correct answers can be used to get 10% of the price of Sega game carts at any Comet store in the country. Cords will be priced at 50p each, with 15p of that going to the local Scout Group and 35p going to the national Scout appeal.

Scouts and Cub Scouts themselves can take part in the Sonic Speed Challenge by participating in special speed challenges within their local groups. This involves attempting to set new time records for typical Scouting activities such as putting up tents, lighting fires, tying knots and running

Other parts of the scheme will award certificates, T-shirts and Sega baseball jackets. In addition, every Scout who takes up the Challenge will get an exclusive, limited edition Sonic Woggle [I kid you not!].

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REVIEW Zone

Enter the zone that brings you the up-to-the-nanosecond reviews of all the new releases for the Sega games systems.

STC REVIEWER THIS ISSUE:
Tony Takoushi.

SHIHOBI 3

game type:
PLATFORM
1 PLAYER



He's back, he's mean - and he sure is lean!

Shinobi 3 - Return of the Ninja Master, is the latest in the Shinobi series from Sega. This game was reviewed some months ago by quite a few magazines, but has almost been completely rewritten since then with some original weapons and new magic added.

Shinobi 3 is a really playable game. As before, you control the Shinobi and have to battle through different lands, taking on strange bosses and their lackeys.

You can perform high leaps, double spins, hang from callings, throw ninja darts, use magic weapons - and a whole lot more.

Differences between this and previous Shinobl games come with new scenes that have Joe Musashi jet-skiing and bareback horse riding! There is also a special wall-bouncing move to get round obstacles. The bosses at the end of each level are gorgeous but special attack styles are needed to get past them.

The graphics, sound and general presentation are excellent. The Shinobi even looks different this time out. His moves are smoother, he is more colourful and packs a mean attack!

Experienced Shinobi players will find Shinobi 3 has fresh new gameplay and addictive action. - TT.











STC Rating System

under 40% - Yawnsville

40 - 70% - Normalsville

70 - 80% - Fun City

80 - 90% - Big Time City

over 90% - Mega City!

MAKE MY VIDEO:

game type:

MUSIC



INTERACTION
1 PLAYER

INXS are the latest additions to the Make My Video series for the Mega CD. Other MMV littles have been released in the USA but this is the first official title for the UK market.

The aim is very simple. Edit together a music video of your own making or follow the hints from some strange characters in a pool hall.

The scene is set with you watching two rather attractive young females playing pool. The only way you get to join in is to edit a video the way they suggest

The editing is done by choosing from lots of different clips shown on three 'soraens'. After selecting your clips you then get to use some fancy video effects to make it look like your favourite music video: Slow mo, strobe, mirror, flip, captions, freeze frame, colour offects and lots more.

Once you've finished the editing the people in the pool hall bar comment on your efforts as you run it over again and again.

There are different modes where you can just check out the videos or compete with the people in the bar.

Make My Video with INXS is a fun outing with some great music. But if you're expecting a challenging game you might want to give this a miss, rether than a hit. - TT.







GUNSTAR HEROES

game type: ACTION

1 PLAYER



Welcome to one of the hottest shoot "em ups everl Treasura is a new Japanese software house all set to produce some ground-breaking games for the Mega Drive.

The story behind **Gunstar Heroes** is very simple: You have to beat an evil creep who has taken over your world. Along the way you get to face some real brutes.

They come at you from all sides, all the time.
The action is non-stop and you have a variety of
weapons that you pick up on your travels.
There are thin lasers, globby bullets, homing
bullets and special fire bombs for close combat.

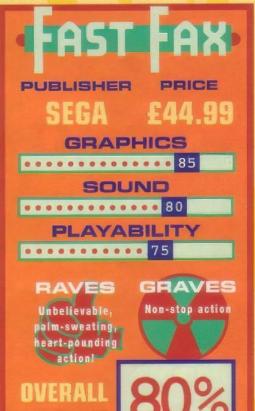
At the start of each game you can choose from four weapons and which four stages you want to begin your mission on. After that the action is varied with running, shooting, riding a train car, climbing a huge rocket and many, many other exciting situations.

Overall, Gunstar Heroes is a shooters' dream. It is slick, exciting and probably the fastest shoot 'em up ever written! - TT.



REVIEW

















SUZI'S JUST STARTED AT SCHOOL,

SEE, AND SHE'S KIND OF NEAT. A REAL GOOD LAUGH, AND SHE PLAYS A GAME GEAR BETTER

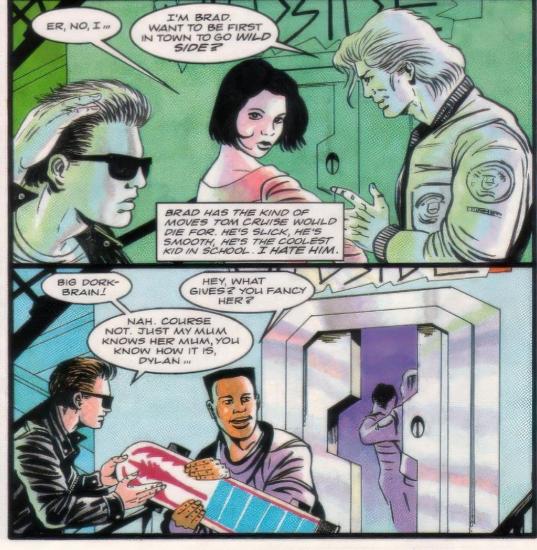
THAN MOST OF MY MATES.

























MEWS Zone

Gee it's the GGGG!



Game Gear gets own Game Genie

Frustrated Game Gear players, help is at hand there is a Game Genie coming your way soon!

The latest in a long line of Game Genie video game enhancers has been designed specifically for Sega's hand-held game system.

Looking like something Batman would not be ashamed to have in his utility belt, the GGGG slots into the Game Gear's cart slot and accepts standard GG cartridges. On power-up, a code screen is shown onto which you can enter Game Genie's special codes. These enable you to access extra lives, more weapons, special sections and a whole lot more. A glance at STC's Q Zone will show you the types of codes available for Mega Drive owners using the Game Genie.

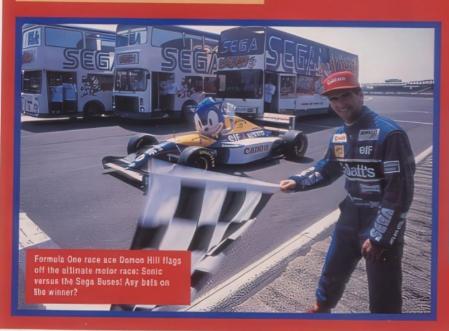
Initially, there will be codes available for over 90 of the most popular Game Gear games, with regular updates available via a special phone helpline. A mini-codebook comes with the **GGGG** which can be stored in the back of the unit,

Hornby Hobbies, UK distributor of the Game Genie, plan to release the GGGG around December 93/January 94. No price details as yet.

In a mysterious statement to STC, Hornby Hobbies said that the **Game Gear Game Genie** will also contain a number of "...hidden secrets yet to be revealed". We'll keep you posted.



Buses Get In Gear



The **Sega Bus** is continuing to tour the country bringing high-tech Sega funpower to a venue near you.

A special phone line has been set-up to bring to the very latest timetable for the buses (all three of them) during the summer months. All you have to do is call the following number:

0891 700505

Calls to this number are charged at 36p per minute cheap rate and 48p per minute at all other times. You must make sure you have the permission of the person who pays the phone bill in your house before you make your call. All revenue generated from the line will be donated to the NSPCC.

If you get to one of the buses let STC know how you got on, and, if possible, send us a photo of you with the bus. We'll print the best ones in future issues,

The Shape Of Sticks To Come

Logic 3 previews two new controllers



Power hitters, get ready. Logic 3 have given a sneak preview of two new console controllers currently in development.

The Logipad is the world's first games pad with closed micro switches. It also features independent semi and autofire on all six fire buttons. Pricing is expected to be from £17.99.

The Logipad - artist's impression

The Phantom is a larger controller, also with closed micro switches. In addition it features a eight-directional arcade-type joystick and six fire buttons. Other goodies are autofire speed control, slow motion and a generous 2.5 metres of cable. Price is expected to be £24.99.

Both controllers are fully compatible with the Sega Mega Drive and some other inferior game systems. Launch dates have yet to be confirmed. Keep watching the skies.



The Phantom - atill on the drawing board

Pond Life

James Pond comes up for the third time

James Pond 3 - Operation Starfi5h marks the return of gamedom's favourite finned secret agent to the Mega Drive scene.

This new 16-Meg cart, coming from Electronic Arts in September, features over 100 levels of cosmic capers as James Pond heads for the Moon. His mission is to stop the evil Dr. Maybe who has a fiendish plan to monopolise the world's dairy market (hey, it beats destroying the universe!)

Pond is joined in the new game by trainee F.1.5.H. agent Finnius Frog, and is armed with a whole new range of weapons and power-ups. In addition to JP's jumping, running and walking abilities, he now gets to use suction boots (allows him to walk on any surface), a fruit suit (doubles as a deadly attack weapon-nonest), skis, rocket boots and anti-gravity boots. He also gets to drive a lunar buggy, a drilling machine, a giant moon-worm and a mini rocket.

James Pond 3 - Operation Starfi5h is due in September for the Mega Drive, priced £44.99. Watch for the unblased STC review.



James Pond: boldly going where no fish has gone before!



New Releases -September

Christmas is coming (aargghh!) and the big games are coming out to play. Here is a list of new releases heading your way during September. It's as accurate as we can make it but, be warned, there could be last minute changes, additions or deletions. The software companies just love to bug us!



Jurassic Park (Sega) Ultimate Soccer (Sega) Shinobi 3 (Sega)

Wimbledon Tennis (Sega)
Ranger X (Sega)
Gunstar Heroes (Sega)
Rocket Knight (Konami)
Haunting (Electronic Arts)
Chuck Rock 2: Son of Chuck (Core
Design)
James Pond 3 (Electronic Arts)
F1 (Domark)



Terminator (Virgin) Wonderdog (JVC) Thunderhawk (Core Design)

Sherlock Holmes 2 (Sega) Make My Video: INXS (Sega)

Make My Video: Kriss Kross (Sony) Make My Video: C&C Music Factory

(Sony)

Sewer Shark (Sony)

Chuck Rock 2: Son of Chuck (Core

Design)

Batman Returns (Sega)



The Flash (Sega)
Power Strike 2 (Sega)
Chuck Rock 2: Son of Chuck

(Core Design)
Road Runner (Sega)
Wolf Child (Virgin)
Super Off Road Racing (Virgin)



Power Strike 2 (Sega) Strider 2 (US Gold) Wolf Child (Virgin)

James Bond 007 (Domark)
Chuck Rock 2: Son of Chuck (Core
Design)

Start making those lists now, Boomers!











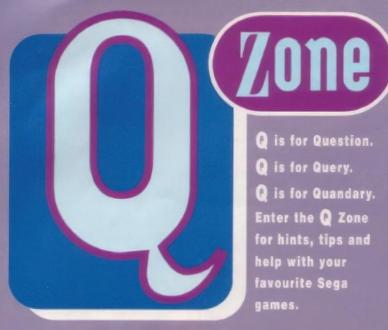












Welcome again to the Q Zone, a place of help and solutions to those really difficult games. Our Game Guru, David Gibbon, is standing by to answer your problems. Drop a line to the Q Zone with your query. Alternatively, share a hint, tip or solution with your fellow gamers. All are welcome.

MICRO MACHINES





This is the first Sega game from Codemasters and is one of the best releases of the year up to now. If you are having problems with the game then take a look at these general tips for help:

- Always select Spider for yourself as he is the best driver available. Choose a hard driver as your opponent in the early rounds leaving the easier ones for the harder courses.
- 2. The secret to winning is practise. Get used to track 1, complete it, then go onto track 2. Get used to track 2, complete it, then onto the next one. Keep going like this and you will soon be the champion.
- 3. You don't have to stick to the track when driving, making it easy to take short cuts to get in front of your opponent.
- 4. On courses where you race on a table top, it's possible, with careful driving, to ram your opponent off the table winning you a valuable point.
- 5. Racing around the pool table in the formula one cars is probably the most difficult track. Because of the great speed they travel at,

it's easy to fly off the edge. The trick is to press the accelerator button and as soon as you build up an acceptable speed let go. Keep doing this and you should be able to take the corners much better.



KID CHAMELEON





With the start of the series in this issue of STC, here is some help for this great Mega Drive platformer. If you have been wondering what it would be like to see the last boss then

wonder no more because here is the cheat to do just that:

Start by making your way to the Blue Lake Woods in Level 2 until you come to the Flag at the end. Don't touch the Flag, but climb up to the last Prize Block and press Down and Right while keeping the Jump and Special Attack buttons held down.





MICK & MACK: GLOBAL GLADIATORS





Playing this game as Mick or Mack can be great fun, but hard. Great graphics, sound, and bonus screen don't help you complete the game. However, using this cheat will make it much easier:

Reset the game and as soon as the Sega logo appears press C, B, A and Start in a rhythm four times before the logo disappears. It's quite hard to get right, but if done correctly a crack screen will appear giving you Infinite Lives, Level Select and a Photo Freeze.

COBRA COMMAND





One of a new breed of games on the Mega CD. Cobra Command is a great flight simulation with brilliant graphics. Problem is, it's very difficult and you constantly have to restart from the beginning. However, here is a cheat to change all that:

Press Start so that both Game Start and Config Mode appear. Press Up, Down, Left and Right. You should hear an explosion sound telling you the cheat is activated. Then select Config Mode and an extra option, Training Mode, should appear. Now, every time you lose a life you just continue the game!

To become invincible press B, A, C, A, Left, Left, Right and Left on the title screen, and for a Level Select press Up, Left, Right, Right and Up. You can now select your level by pressing the Left or Right button.

SOHIC THE HEDGEHOG 2





Oh no, not that level select

cheat again, surely? No way, this is a new cheat for Sonic 2 in the Casino Night Zone:

Jumping into the fruit machine is a bit of a gamble; sometimes it pays off, and sometimes it can be disastrous. To help you win loads of rings try this: Start the wheels spinning



and as soon as the first reel stops press C immediately. If you timed it to perfection reels two and three will get the same symbol as reel one.



game . genie update

Got a Game Genie (if not, why not?) Got a Mega Drive? Then you'll find these new codes mega useful!

Special thanks to those friendly folk at Hornby Hobbies for supplying the Game Genie codes

LEMMINGS

There's almost as many Game Genie codes for this game as there are Lemmings! Here's are a few to give you lots of workers:

Always start with 50 climbers

Always start with 50 floaters

Always stort with 50 bombers

Always start with 50 blockers

Always start with 50 builders

Always start with 50 bashers

Always start with 50 miners

Always start with 50 diggers

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GKJTAADW SVJTBRDO ÷

GKJTAAD2 SVJTBRD6 +

GKJTAAD8

SVJTBREC ÷ GKJTAAEE

SVJTBREJ +

SVJTBRER +
GKJTAAET

SVJTBREY +
GKJTAAEO

JAMES BOND - THE DUEL

We printed the solution to this game in STC 4. However, for Game Genie owners, here are some codes to help Bond on his way.

Infinite lives ATGAAA56 ATGAAA70 Infinite continues Infinite ammunition AE8AAA9N Starts on Mission 2 AECAAAGC Starts on Mission 3 AJCAAAGC Starts on Mission 4 ANCAAAGC Starts on Mission 5 ATCAAAGC Cannot be harmed by enemy fire AMKAAA56 Jump higher 7LPTB98E

TAILSPIN

Fly yourself out of trouble with these great codes for another fun-packed Disney game.

ATSTAA92 Infinite lives - player 1 ATTAAA66 Infinite lives - player 2 Infinite health - not on plane level **EMSTCA66** Infinite time AJSAAA9N Star prize is worth double PITABJXW Star prize is worth treble **P11ABNXW** 8 days to complete game BAPTAADY Time runs slower EASAB2HG









SPEEDLINES

Dash off a letter, draw a quick sketch. In short, let Megadroid know what you like (or loathe!) about STC.

Send your letters and drawings to: Speedlines, Sonic The Comic, 25/31 Tavistock Place, London WC1H 9SU.

Write your name, address and Sega system (MD, MCD, MS or GG) clearly. Remember, every letter and drawing printed wins a Segasational prize!



Better Than Eating

When I first read your comic it was dinner time and I got so interested in it I would not eat my dinner. I thought as soon as I finished reading it I'm writing to Sonic The Comic.

Here I am.

If you would publish this I would be running around showing everyone. So please print my

Lucinda Wade, West Auckland, Co. Durham. MS owner. Sonic badge winner.

So what happened, Lucinda. Did you eventually have your dinner? Did you ever eat again? You can't leave the massed ranks of STC Boomers dangling

like this. We demand to know!

food dea

Dear Sonic The Comic,

What a comic! It's the best I have seen since the Beano. I would like you to answer this question. What gave you the idea to turn Sega characters into comic strips?

Robert Davies, Blaenavon, Gwent. MS owner. Sonic badge winner.

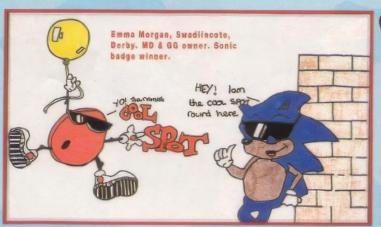
Easy one, Robert. When we saw what fabulous characters Sega used in their game how could we not make them into comic strips?

Choose Early For [hristmas!

Dear STC.

I am writing to ask which I should get for Christmas. Should I ask for a Game Gear, a Mega Drive or a Mega Drive 2? Please tell me which is the best value for money and which has got the widest range of games, also good but cheap games (I only get 25 per week).

John Thompson, West Bowling, W. Yorks. Sonic badge winner.



Tough choice, John. The Game Gear has the cheaper games but has a very small screen and only runs 8-bit games. The Mega Drive is more expensive but has a huge range of top quality 16-bit games, which are more pricey. And the Mega Drive 2 isn't even out yet! I suggest you talk nicely to whoever is buying your present and see what they can afford. Any other

Boomers out there got any advice for John?



owner. Sonic badge winner.

Class Act

Dear STC.

Most of my class and I buy STC because it's great value for money. We all say it beats the living daylights out of other comics. Will you do a strip of Chuck Rock?

Darren St Marie, London, Sonic badge

Sounds like you're in a pretty cool class, Darren. Say hi to them for me. As for Chuck Rock, I'll put him on my evergrowing list of strip possibilities.

Get Printed + Win a Prize!

It's true! Every letter and drawing appearing on this page wins a Segasational prize! Yes, this brilliant Sonic 2 badge - exclusive to STC - can be yours! Commemorating the earth-shattering appearance of the second Sonic The Hedgehog game, the badge shows Sonic and Tails, is made of metal and has a snazzy clutch pin fitting. Be the coolest Sonic Boomer in your area - get writing and drawing now!



